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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, please find attached hereto form PTO-1449 listing information which may be material to the patentability of this application, filed concurrently herewith. This Information Disclosure Ciatamani in India

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	Within three (3) months of the filing date of the national application;
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Also enclosed are copies of Patent Nos. DE 1879137U1; DE 8137239U1; DE 19859065A1; FR 1.085.443 as well as Examination Report of the parallel German application 10239121 dated July 11, 2003. Copies of available English abstracts of the aforementioned patents, patent applications and articles are enclosed herewith.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the references that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed references and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

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